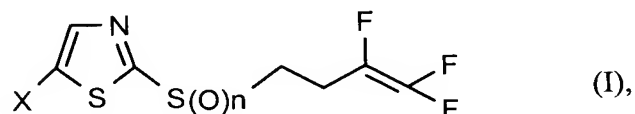


IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 9.

Please amend Claims 1-8 and 10 as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A compound of the Formula (I)



wherein

X represents halogen, and

n represents 0, 1 or 2.

2. (Once Amended) A compound of the Formula (I) according to Claim 1, wherein

X represents fluoro, chloro or bromo, and

n represents 0 or 2.

3. (Once Amended) A compound of the Formula (I) according to Claim 1 wherein

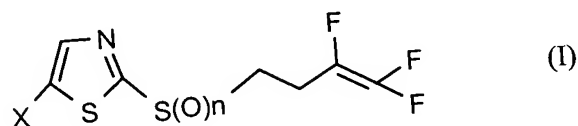
X represents chloro or bromo, and

n represents 2.

4. (Once Amended) A compound of the Formula (I) according to Claim 1 wherein

X represents chloro.

5. (Once Amended) A process for preparing a compound of the Formula (I)



wherein

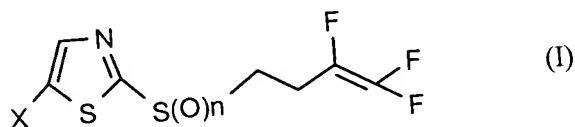
X is as defined in one of Claims 1 to 4, and

n represents 0,

comprising the step of:

reacting 2-(3,4,4-trifluoro-3-butenylthio)thiazole with a halogenating agent, optionally in the presence of an inert solvent.

6. (Once Amended) A process for preparing a compound of the Formula (I)



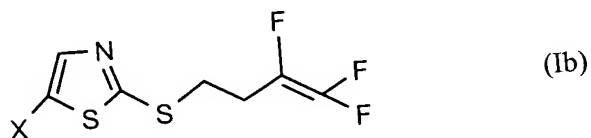
wherein

n represents 1 or 2, and

X is as defined in one of Claims 1 to 4,

comprising the step of:

reacting a compound of the Formula (Ib)



wherein

X is as defined in one of Claims 1 to 4,

with an oxidizing agent, optionally in the presence of an inert solvent.

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7. (Once Amended) A nematicidal composition comprising at least one compound of the Formula (I) according to one of Claims 1 to 4.
8. (Once Amended) A method of combating nematodes, comprising the step of allowing an effective amount of a compound of the Formula (I) according to one of Claims 1 to 4 to act on a member selected from the group consisting of nematodes, a habitat of said nematodes and combinations thereof.
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10. (Once Amended) A process for preparing a nematicidal composition, comprising the step of mixing a compound of the Formula (I) according to one of Claims 1 to 4 with a member selected from the group consisting of an extender a surface active agent and combinations thereof.
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